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FROM present indications, it would seem as though the suffragist movement were destined to sweep everything before it. That woman has an equal right to have her say in the administration of governmental affairs should not be questioned for a moment. That she will display little or no judgment in the use of her newly acquired power is one of the objections brought forward by the opponents to the cause. Nothing could possibly be further from the real facts in the case, for there are but few men, who, if honest with themselves, but will frankly admit that what little success they have had in life has been chiefly due to the influence of some good woman. In the United States, we pride ourselves in the treatment we accord the feminine sex. Therefore, insofar as the American voters are concerned, to further object to the extension of equal rights to a class of citizens whose superiority over nine-tenths of the present voting population is so apparent represents a new type of manhood which cannot be compared with the American idea of a true gentleman.

As to the suffragist movement in this Territory there are a number of influential, earnest workers whose endeavors in behalf of equal rights for women are beginning to show results. If we might be permitted to make a suggestion, we would say that the cause could be greatly strengthened by the establishment of a newspaper through the columns of which much information regarding the progress being made by the party could be given to a much larger number of people.

THE GARDEN ISLAND offers the use of its columns gratis to those interested in woman suffrage and cordially invites those sufficiently interested in the subject to have no hesitancy in taking advantage of this offer.

CITY papers have a great deal of fun at the expense of the country newspaper because it details the little happenings of the community in which it is published; because it mentions the comings and goings of people and other seemingly unimportant personal mention. Of course there are things in some country papers which make even an up-to-date country editor smile. But the editor who says, "Bill Jones was in town yesterday and left two big round cart wheels to pay for a year's subscription. Come again, Billy," are growing scarcer each year. Even at the worst, the little personals in the country papers are honest and sincere, and written in good faith, while the society pages of the big dailies contain columns upon columns of fulsome flattery of men and women whose only claim to notoriety is the fact that they have money with which to buy their way into "society." Not only is the country newspaper man honest and sincere in his little, unimportant personal items, but he plays no favorites—he gives space to the rich and

poor, the high and the low, the big and the little.

It begins to look to the ordinary observer that an eruption between the Inter-Island Co., and its captains may occur at any moment. It is most unfortunate that parties upon whom such vast public interests rests cannot come to an amicable agreement, thus saving all interested parties much needless waste of money, and incidentally creating a greater degree of confidence among the patrons of the Company. If, as charged by the captains, the company is importing men to take their places, it seems that the proper course to pursue would be to have the matter referred to arbitrators. In the recent trouble between the Inter-Island and the captains, the latter were conceded to have gained a decided victory. All of which was well enough in one way, but for the traveling public and that of inter-island merchants the inconvenience caused by the delays in shipping meant a great loss.

THE appointment of janitors for our public schools was hailed with delight both by teachers and pupils alike. However, the nonappearance of said janitors has caused some speculation as to just when this important personage will put in an appearance. In the meantime Friday afternoon's manual training continues to consist of gathering up germ-be-laden papers, banana peels, etc., by the school children.

WHENEVER a man gets the idea that the town cannot get along without him he ought to go away for a month or two. When he returns he will probably find that his absence has not made any perceptible difference.

BONUSES aggregating \$1,000,000 must be given if the convicted labor leaders succeed in getting released from the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth Kansas. This represents \$10,000 for each year's sentence.

SOMEHOW or other, everybody seems to be entering the new year with renewed hope and faith in its promises for a successful year. Even the republicans are trying to look pleasant.

WAIMEA NEWS NOTES

Dr. Derby is back in Waimea and we are all glad to see him, for his services are very dear to a few suffering mortals.

The Hotel Bayview has been very commodious to the many traveling men as well as tourists this week. Mr. Oliver is just as hospitable as ever and the patrons appreciate it greatly.

Mr. Morse and Miss Mable Hastie were visitors in the Waimea School Friday, 24th.

Mr. Brodie the ever helpful Supervising Principal has been visiting the schools on this side of the Island.

Mrs. Eric Knudsen was the hostess at a luau at the Barking Sand Saturday evening the 18th. It was a grand moonlight evening and the twenty-seven young people enjoyed the horse back ride. After the luau the participants went in swimming.

There was a farewell dance last Friday night given for Mr. Hakuole, Mr. Cushingham and Mr. Sullivan.

Miss Brown and Mr. Smith, the bee man, are again welcome visitors in Waimea district.

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The Bank of Hawaii and new Postoffice building is receiving its interior coat of paint.

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